# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS
# LOK SABHA

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OIL EXTRACTION FROM WELLS
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**Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:**

(a) whether the oil is not extracted from a large number of wells;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the steps taken/being taken to make those oil wells functional?

## Answer

Minister of State in the Ministry of Petroleum & Natural Gas (Shri Santosh Kumar Gangwar)

(a) & (b): At any given point of time, in an oil field, some oil wells will be non-flowing mainly due to reasons like downhole problems, reservoir considerations, surface facilities status, maintenance etc. The sick wells are taken up for `work over` operations, priority-wise, based on expected revival of production potential.

(c) Work over jobs are being carried out or are planned to revive these wells depending upon the techno-economic feasibility. The process of servicing, repairing and reviving of non-flowing oil wells is a continuous one.